

John Mayo Jr. – Eastham Land Records 1650 - 1745

John Mayo Jr. was the son of Rev. John Mayo who was minister in Eastham from about 1646 to 1655. His brothers were Nathaniel and Samuel who also received land grants. In 1651 John Jr. married Hannah Leycraft (also in the records as Reycraft). They had eight children including John 3d born in 1652. John Jr. died early in the 1700's. His will was presented for probate in 1707. He probably is buried in an unmarked grave in Eastham Cove Burying Ground.

1659

These records indicate John Mayo was granted about eight acres of upland for his dwelling house next to property owned by John Mayo Jr. There was a fence between the properties. PDF A110, A168, M236.

Granted to John Mayo Jr. about ten acres at Pochet next to land of Thomas Paine and near the water. Bounds were indicated by marked trees. PDF A110, M236.

Granted to John Mayo Jr. about ten acres at Pochet south of Daniel Cole's land and north of Nathaniel Mayo's land and near an Indian barn. Bounds were indicated by marked trees and stakes. PDF A110, M237.

Granted to John Mayo Jr. about four acres of meadow at Billingsgate next to land of Mark Snow and next to the main creek. Bounds were indicated by stakes. PDF A110, M236.

1682

This record indicates John Mayo purchased from Thomas Crosby about six acres next to the highway that went to the meeting house and next to land of William Walker. Bounds were altered using stones as markers. This probably was John Mayo Jr. because his father died in 1676 in Yarmouth. PDF A120, M240, S61.

1703

Granted to John Mayo and his heirs a parcel of meadow and sedge ground on the southerly side of Great Meadow next to lots of James Mayo and John Paine and next to the creek. The dimensions indicate the parcel was about two acres. Bounds were indicated by stakes. While the record says John Mayo, this grant most likely was to John Mayo Jr. PDF M235, S56.

Granted to John Mayo and Nathaniel Harding a parcel of meadow at Great Meadow next to lots of Thomas Mulford and Josiah Cook and next to the creek. The dimensions indicate the parcel was about three acres. Bounds were indicated by stakes. While the record says John Mayo, this grant most likely was to John Mayo Jr.

The land owned by John Mayo Jr. and his heirs described in these records amounts to about thirty-three acres. By 1745 twenty-two more Mayos received Eastham land grants.